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**OFFICE HOURS:**

**Monday - Thursday 9:00am - 4:00pm**

**Friday 9:00am -12:00noon**

**WEEKDAY MASS:**

*Tuesday, 7:00pm  
Wednesday, Thursday & Friday  
9:00am*

**SUNDAY MASS:**

*Saturday, 5:00pm  
Sunday, 9:00am, 11:00am*

**RECONCILIATION:**

*Tuesday, 6:15pm -6:45pm  
Saturday, 4:00-4:30pm  
(or by appointment)*

**BAPTISMS:** Please contact the office at least 3 months prior to desired date.

**Becoming Catholic-RCIA:** For those not Baptized, or who have not yet completed their initiation, please call the office or speak to one of the priests.

**CATHOLIC CEMETERIES:** [www.thecatholiccemeteries.ca](http://www.thecatholiccemeteries.ca) 905-522-7727

**FUNERALS:** When a family death occurs, please contact the office for assistance with arrangements.

**MARRIAGE:** Couples intending to marry, kindly contact the office about a year in advance.  
Wedding Anniversary Blessing on the last Sunday of the month.

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY:** Do you know someone in need? Please contact 905-512-5475 or visit our website at <https://www.ssvphamiltonpc.org/scos>

**VOCATIONS:** Diocese of Hamilton [www.hamiltonvocations.com](http://www.hamiltonvocations.com)

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## FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

### ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA

#### Our Financial Stewardship:

*The foundation of all stewardship is a generous heart.*

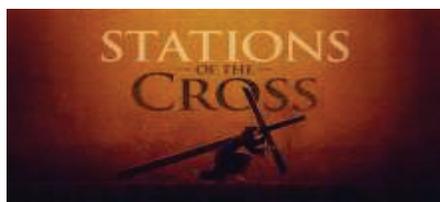
February 14/15, 2026 \$ 13,629.65

Visa/Mastercard Regular \$10,759.84 Building \$ 770.46

### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK



Tues Feb 24	7:00pm	Imperia Arfuso
Wed Feb 25	9:00am	Mark Misener Millie Jayasuriya Special Intentions of Shirley & Jun Sugchang
Thurs Feb 26	9:00am	
Fri Feb 27	9:00am	
Sat Feb 28	5:00pm	Maurice O'Brien Giannina Damiani
Sun Feb 29	9:00am	
Sun Feb 29	11:00am	Imperia Arfuso Giuseppa Cicero Erlinda DeGuzman



**THE CROSS**  
(Friday's 7pm)

#### St. Catherine of Siena Parish Lenten Mission 2026: The Beauty of ...

*7pm Presentation and Witness Talk in the Hall.  
7:30pm Ritual Action in the church*

Thursday February 26, 7pm The Beauty of ...  
**Prayer!** Ritual: **Taize Prayer in Church**  
Thursday March 5, 7pm The Beauty of ... **the Mass!** Ritual: **Candlelight Mass**  
Thursday March 12, 7pm The Beauty of ... **the Bible!** Ritual: **Lectio Divina**  
Thursday March 19, 7pm The Beauty of ... **The Rosary!** Ritual: **Scriptural Rosary**  
Thursday March 26, 7pm The Beauty of ...  
**Confession!** Ritual: **Penance Celebration**

### Diocese of Hamilton Prayer Calendar

<b>Mon</b>	Rev. Joonbin Lim
<b>Tues</b>	Rev. Ralph Diodati
<b>Wed</b>	Society of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, R.S.C.J
<b>Thurs</b>	Rev. Saju Oreethaparambil, C.Ss.R.
<b>Fri</b>	Rev. Kevin Upendran
<b>Sat</b>	Rev. Drago Gacnik, S.D.B.

#### **First Sunday of Lent - February 22, 2026**

Jesus was led by the Holy Spirit into the desert for forty days of prayer and fasting. Are you open to being led by the Holy Spirit into the life-commitment God has prepared for you? If God is calling you to serve him as a priest, deacon, brother or sister, contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988.

Email [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com)  
[hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/](http://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/)

#### **2026 FUNDRAISER: 50/50 RAFFLE**

Our Finance Committee has decided on our annual fundraiser to be a 50/50 Raffle. There will be 4 Draw Dates: March 29, June 28, September 27 and December 27. Winnings divided: 50% parish, 50% divided equally between 2 ticket winners. Tickets can be obtained at the parish office and at weekend Masses.

**THE CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE** invites all women of the parish to join us on **Wednesday, February 25<sup>th</sup>** for a Lenten Retreat an evening of reflection as we journey through Lent. Our evening will start at **7 pm and end at 8:30 pm.** and will begin with a brief meeting before the retreat and then, as always, end with some good eats and time to chat with ladies from our parish. We look forward to seeing you all there!

**Coldest Night of the Year Fundraising Event:** The St. Catherine of Siena CWL will be walking in the Coldest Night of the Year Event on February 28th. This is a fundraiser to bring awareness and support to members of our community – we will be supporting the Hamilton Mountain Neighbour to Neighbour. To **Donate or Join our team** follow the link <https://cnoy.org/search?q=SCoS+CWL> Questions? Reach out to our Mary Ellen Schiestel - [meschiestel@gmail.com](mailto:meschiestel@gmail.com) or Alicia Hartnett - [this\\_is\\_alicia\\_2@yahoo.com](mailto:this_is_alicia_2@yahoo.com).

### **ST. ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY**

St. Elizabeth of Hungary Chapel at Rymal and Garth (391 Rymal Rd. W.) is a part of our parish. Everyone is welcome to attend. Daily weekday Mass at 8:30am, Sun. Mass at 9:30am.

**CATHOLIC PHYSICIANS GUILD OF HAMILTON** invites anyone in the healthcare field to join us for an evening retreat by Father Peter Robinson on Thursday, February 26 at 7 PM. Please note this is separate from the parish retreat.

### **AFTERNOON TEA!**

We are planning a future *Afternoon Tea* and we are in need of some **Tea Pots** and **Tiered Platters/Plates**. If you have any gently used items you no longer need, we would be grateful for your donation. You can drop them off at the office or leave on the office counter afterhours. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

### **REUSABLE GROCERY BAGS**

If you have extra reusable grocery bags that you would like to donate to the community outreach, drop them off at the parish beside the neighbour to neighbour box. They will be donated to the DeMazenod Door at St. Patrick's

**HEART2HANDS MINISTRY** are now accepting clean milk bags

### **SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL**

Can you spare a couple of hours a month? No need to join us as full members, but our SSVP Thrift Stores REALLY NEED VOLUNTEERS! It will be a fun and rewarding way to not only give back to the community, but to enable us to continue to live out our mission. To serve and provide for our neighbors in need while also fostering a sustainable, community-focused environment. If you feel the calling to volunteer, please email Rita at [ritassvphamilton@gmail.com](mailto:ritassvphamilton@gmail.com) Take a look at this short video [https://ssvphamiltonpc.org/#fvp\\_9.8s](https://ssvphamiltonpc.org/#fvp_9.8s) God Bless you for considering this.

**Our Society of Saint Vincent de Paul team at St Catherine of Siena is taking part in the Coldest Night of the Year**—a winterific, family friendly fundraising walk in support of those who are hurting, hungry, or maybe even homeless in Hamilton. If you know a student looking for volunteer hours, or if you would love to help out, go to [cnoy.org](http://cnoy.org) scroll down to the volunteer icon and select the Hamilton Ainslie Wood SSVP location. If you want to donate to our team select the donate icon on the main page and enter “Vinnies” in the search bar.



### **LENTEN PRAYER RETREAT WITH SIMONE ROBINSON.**

Explore new ways to pray and learn at the same time. New ways to experience God's deep love in your life. A powerful online Prayer Retreat for your Lent this year. If you want to know more, please contact Simone at [s.k.robinson@icloud.com](mailto:s.k.robinson@icloud.com)

### **HANDICRAFT HOLY LAND CHRISTIANS**

This weekend we will welcome our special guest from Sebastien Cardinal's team, representing "Handicraft Holy Land Christians", who after all the masses will briefly address the issues and concerns regarding the Christian presence in the Holy Land.

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